

**16.05**

**Definition Of Criminal Damage To Property--Fire Fighting Equipment, Apparatus, And Hydrants**

A person commits the offense of criminal damage to property when he

[1] knowingly, without proper authorization, [(cuts) (injures) (damages) (tamper with) (destroys) (defaces)] [(any fire hydrant) (any public or private fire fighting equipment) (any apparatus appertaining to any fire fighting equipment)].

[or]

[2] intentionally opens any fire hydrant without proper authorization.

**Committee Note**

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Give Instruction 16.06.

Use applicable paragraphs and bracketed material.

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